

Script/Questions for 2022 visits to Acton businesses

Hi-

I'm helping a group of residents who are working on a bylaw that will ban Styrofoam and anything made of polystyrene and also disposable plastic utensil use in Acton ( e.g. straws, stirrers, splash sticks, and chopsticks). (**show pictures**)

It will come up for a vote at the May town meeting.

We wanted to make sure you have advance notice and hear your thoughts.

Would you mind answering a couple of quick questions about what you use here.

What kind of containers do you use for your takeout customers including cups and leftovers people want to take home?

Are you using disposable **straws, stirrers, splash sticks, chopsticks (utensils)**? Do you use or give out disposable spoons, forks, knives (cutlery)? *Note: look at samples when possible to see if they are made of polystyrene.*

If you have moved to **alternatives**, when did you do that? Why?

What has the reaction been? What difficulties have you faced?

Where do you get your supplies?

Do have suggestions for others who aren't as far along as you are?

If you didn't use styrofoam, what would you have available as take-out containers from your suppliers? **How would that affect you?**

*Who do you currently use for supplies?*